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Sir:

In response to the Notice Regarding Drawings dated December 1, 2006, the period of response to which extends to and includes February 1, 2007, and a subsequent telephone conference with Joshua D. Chase of the Office of Patent Publication of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the Applicant, through his attorney of record, hereby submits three (3) new sets of drawings (photographs) with respect to the above-identified application for plant patent. Acceptance of these three (3) new sets of drawings (photographs) is courteously solicited.

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REMARKS

In response to the Notice Regarding Drawings dated December 1, 2006 relative to the above-identified application for plant patent, the Applicant hereby submits three (3) new sets of drawings (photographs) identical to those submitted with the application as originally filed. Approval of the three (3) new sets of drawings (photographs) and favorable action on the subject plant patent application is respectfully requested.

As noted on page 2 of the first Office Action of June 29, 2004 in this case, the drawings (photographs) submitted with the application as originally filed were "accepted." Since the drawings (photographs) were accepted by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in this case, the drawings (photographs), to which the present Notice Regarding Drawings (photographs) relates, were apparently lost by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

In order to obtain an explanation of the Notice Regarding Drawings dated December 1, 2006 in this case, the Applicant's attorney, Rodney K. Worrel, telephoned Mr. Joshua D. Chase of the Office of Patent Publication of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The Applicant's attorney was unable to reach Mr. Chase by telephone at that time, but left a message on his voice mail including the application serial number and the Notice upon which the Applicant's attorney requested an explanation. Subsequently, on December 12, 2006, Mr. Chase returned the telephone call and specified that a full response to the Notice Regarding Drawings would be to send an additional set of three (3) drawings (photographs) for filing in this case. Mr.

Chase further stated that the absence of drawings (photographs) in the Applicant's-file, apparently due to the originals having been lost, was the only obstacle to issuance of a plant patent in this case. Accordingly, this requirement has been met in the submission herewith of three (3) new sets of drawings (photographs) as contained in the subject

application as originally filed on July 21, 2003.

The Applicant, through his attorney of record, wishes to thank Mr. Joshua D. Chase for his helpfulness and cooperation in this matter.

There being no remaining issue in this case, the Applicant, through his attorney of record, respectfully requests that the subject plant patent promptly be issued in this case.

The Applicant, through his attorney of record, authorizes the Examiner to telephone his attorney in the event that a telephone discussion could be helpful to the prosecution of this application.

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